The Daily Courant.

Saturday, March 27. 1703.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated March 29.

Baden, March 14.

THE Imperial Ambaſſador has preſented a Memorial, dated Febr. 12. to the Confederated Cantons, which contains in Subſtance,

'THat altho' nothing but Arrogance, Impudence, and Abſurdity, can be expected from the Vanity and Haughtineſs of the French; yet he never imagin'd they would have ſent ſo bold a Letter to the Laudable Republick as that of the 31ſt of January; in which they declare War againſt the Cantons, unleſs the Cantons will declare War againſt the Emperor. That the French, not content with having already ſeduc'd ſome of the Cantons from the Emperor's Party, would have them blindly obey their Reaſons of State, and the Orders of Verſailles: Which they preſs with ſuch Arguments, as plainly ſhew the Marqueſs de Puiſieux is not acquainted with the Rights and Cuſtoms of War, nor the Law of Nations; Nor can diſcern, that the Emperor has cauſe, tho' the King of France has none, to put a Stop on his ſide to the Commerce of all Switzerland, it being moſt apparent, that the Selfiſh Deſigns of ſome particular Men hinder things from taking a better Turn. That France, who ſome Years ago was beholden to Switzerland for ridding her of a burthenſom War, now in recompence, (following the Machiavellian Maxim, *Calumniare audacter, Semper aliquid hæret*; *lay on load of Calumny, ſome of it will ſtick*,) by the help of the diſloyal Elector of Bavaria, ſeeks to compel her to abſolute Obedience; relying on her great number of Penſioners among the Regents of Switzerland, and making ſure Account that the Laudable Cantons, will prefer the French Yoke, to the Liberty of which they make ſuch high Boaſts. Wherefore the Imperial Ambaſſador warns the Cantons at length to open their Eyes, and take effectual Reſolutions e'er it be too late, &c. And in a Poſtſcript the ſaid Miniſter acquaints the Cantons, that the French had a third time paſs'd over the Frontier Territories of Baſil, and ſeiz'd the Imperial Governor of Wihlen and carry'd him to Hunninghen; adding, that he makes no doubt but the Cantons will ſhew their reſentment of it, ſeeing the Inſolence of the French is running to that heighth, that ſhortly they will lay the ſame Claim, to the Frontiers of Baſil, they have already done to the Iſlands in the Rhine.

This Memorial ſo incens'd the French Ambaſſador, that he has written the following Letter.

Magnificent Lords!

'I Perceive Count Trautmanſdorf either knows not, or has forgotten, what becomes the Character of an Ambaſſador, even among Infidels; for, did he underſtand it, he would be ſenſible that he wounds himſelf with the Expreſſions that are pointed at me in the Memorial deliver'd not long ſince to the Cantons. He may be apt to ſay, I know, that the Injury done to an Ambaſſador, directly touches the Sovereign whoſe Miniſter he is; So Count Trautmanſdorf on this occaſion attacks my King, the more profeſtly, becauſe I incerted no other in my laſt Letter, than the very words which his Majeſty order'd me to employ, in mentioning the Hoſtilities committed in your Territories. Did not other Conſiderations than what I have for Count Trautmanſdorf withhold me, I might be prompted to retort upon him; but knowing him for the Emperor's Ambaſſador, for whom I preſerve the Reſpect due to his Imperial Dignity, I forbear recriminating, in an Opinion that my Moderation in this Caſe will be more acceptable to Men of Underſtanding, than the Clamour of the ſaid Count, ſo unbecoming the Character of the Ambaſſador of a Prince of the firſt Rank in Chriſtendom.

Since this, the French Ambaſſador deliver'd in a Memorial on the 9th inſtant, which is too long to be incerted in this Letter.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated March 31.

Baſil, March 21. 'Tis rumour'd here, That the French will attack the Forreſt Towns, tho' they cannot come at them without paſſing over the Swiſs Territories; whereupon the Cantons have reſolv'd, to demand a Declaration of the French Ambaſſador, of his meaning by theſe Expreſſions in his laſt Memorial, *That no Umbrage need be taken, tho' his Maſter ſhould happen to make more Conquéſts in our Neighbourhood*; and what Places are intended to be conquer'd, &c. The Miniſters of certain Potentates, having in their late Memorials ran out into ſuch Expreſſions as have given Offence to many in Switzerland, the Regents ſeem reſolv'd to receive no more ſuch Memorials.

The Memorial of the French Ambaſſador abovemention'd, is not yet come to our hands.

Ratiſbon, Mar. 19. The Miniſter of the King of Pruſſia has notified to the Imperial Diet, that the Affair of ſeizing the Town of Nordhauſen by his Maſter is compos'd, that there are but 2 Companies of Pruſſians left in it, and that they ſhall likewiſe retire out of it, as ſoon as, the Lunenburghers are withdrawn out of Hildeſheim, and the Elector of Hanover has declar'd he will make no Attempt on Nordhauſen. Hereupon the Lunenburg Miniſters have given out a Paper, importing that the Emperor approves of their putting a Garriſon into Hildeſheim. Both the King of Denmark and the King of Pruſſia, inſiſt, that a Diet of the Eſtates of the Circle of Lower Saxony be held in Lower Saxony, refuſing to ſend their Contingents of the Troops of that Circle, unleſs ſuch a Diet be held, and Hildeſheim evacuated. The Engliſh Reſident has given plain Indications, that he is not at all diſpos'd to enter into Alliance with the Empire, before the Reſolutions taken in this general Diet be executed, that is to ſay, till the 120000 Men are brought into the Field. According to the Advices from the Bavarians, they took Priſoners in the late Fight, 1 Collonel, 1 Lieutenant-

tenant-Collonel, 2 Majors, 8 Captains, 13 Enſigns, and 700 Soldiers: Of the Bavarians, Count Leopold d'Arco, Captain of a Troop of Carabineers, the Marqueſs de Beauſeau, and 3 or 400 Soldiers were kill'd. On the 16th inſtant, the Bavarians took Neubourg on the River Ihn.

From the Harlem Courant, dated March 31.

Heilbron, Mar. 24. A Relation of the Fight on the 11th at Yſerbirn, not far from Bayerbach, has been made publick here, containing in Subſtance, that the Saxon General Pleſs, being about to march from Yſerbirn with the Imperial and Saxon Cavalry, to follow the Infantry which the Day before paſs'd over the Ihn to Paſſau; The Bavarians iſſued out of a Wood near Schardingen, and fell into the Quarters of the Regiment of Cuiraſſiers of Hanover which was diſorder'd in the Surprize and loſt 4 Standards. The Reſt of the Cavalry being on the March, ſeveral Squadrons of the Enemy, arm'd with Helmets and Cuiraſſes, and ſome Battallions, preſented themſelves in Battalia before the Wood: Whereupon the Imperial Horſe drew up in order, and Capt. Fiegnes with 100 Dragoons of the Regiment of Schlick firſt charg'd the Bavarians, and drove one of their Battallions back into the Wood; but the whole Force of the Bavarians (being 8000 Men) falling immediately upon this Captain and all the reſt of the Imperial Cavalry, after a ſharp Diſpute, in which the Bavarians had moſt Loſs, the Imperialiſts were defeated. The Imperialiſts had but 250 Men kill'd in the Fight, but had a greater Number Wounded, and made a very diſorderly Retreat. General Pleſs, the Collonels Widman and Riſmans, and Count Dietrichſtein were taken, and ſeveral Imperial and Saxon Officers wounded. The Imperialiſts loſt their Artillery and Baggage, and took 3 Standards, 2 Lieutenants, and 1 Enſign, of the Enemy. It appearing that the Poſt-Maſter of Yſerbirn gave intelligence to the Bavarians, the Imperialiſts burnt his Houſe, and all that was in it, before they quitted the Field.

The Paris *Gazette a la main of March* 26. ſays, The Count de Monaſterole, the Bavarian Envoy at the Court of France, has receiv'd Letters, that make the Victory of the Elector of Bavaria over the Imperialiſts more conſiderable than the firſt Advices that came to Paris. Which Letters, he ſays, have been printed at Paris, and import, That above 4000 Imperialiſts were kill'd in the Fight, 1300 made Priſoners, and 1800 Horſes taken, together with the Baggage; That the Count de Pleſs is among the Priſoners. And that the Number of the Slain is not to be wonder'd at, becauſe in the beginning of the Action no Quarter was given on either ſide.

By the ſame Gazette a la main, we learn,, That Madam Guyon, famous for certain peculiar Opinions in Religion, who has been ſome time impriſon'd in the Baſtile, is ſet at Liberty. And that the King of Spain has nam'd the Duke of Alva his Ambaſſador to the Court of France.

Falmouth, March 22. Yeſterday the Maid of Dort, and the Phenix, two Fluſhing Privateers, brought in here as Prizes, the Bongard and St. John, two Swedes, and the Michael of Hambourg, all three laden with Wines: And this morning the Mansbridge Packet-boat, Captain Culverdon Commander, ſail'd with two Mails for Lisbon.

Weymouth, March 24. Two days ago the Hurdis Galley, Captain Hurdis Commander, arriv'd here, who reports, That he came from Guernſey on Sunday laſt; that he, with the Whitehall Galley, and Severne Galley, gave Chace to above 50 Sail of French Merchant Ships from Bourdeaux, under Convoy of 3 French Men of War, who engag'd the 3 Privateers till all the Merchant Ships got clear, ſo they were oblig'd to ſheer off.

London, March 26. My Lady Grace Pierepoint died yeſterday morning.

A few days ago Collonel Coot died at Cheſter.

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